

Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department





Date: October 20, 2008

Captain Trish Tracy

Ward 6 – Hotel Fire – 100 Block of W. Broadway

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Dispatch Time – 0405 (single engine dispatch for a fire alarm) On-Scene – 0409 Full Alarm Dispatch Time - 0413 Under Control - 0435

Two-hundred people were evacuated from The Hotel Arizona this morning after a fire was set on the 9th floor. A sprinkler head activated and controlled the fire. A fire alarm sounded, allowing all occupants to safely evacuate to the exterior. Hotel management stated that the damage is minimal, consisting primarily of replacement of ceiling tiles. The sprinkler system is back in service and guests have been allowed to re-enter their rooms. There was no need for Red Cross, and no injuries were reported. The cause was determined to be intentionally set.

Safety Message: Any time you enter any building (hotel, restaurant, movie theatre, etc.) look for the exits and/or stairwells. When a fire alarm sounds the elevators will automatically return to the ground floor and will not be accessible. You can save your life, and someone else's, by taking a few moments and forming a mental escape plan with two ways out of every room.